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Builder," while the last part treats of "The Builder and the Owner." Reference is made to about eight hundred cases of this and other jurisdictions, which in addition to being arranged alphabetically are also indexed according to the jurisdiction in which they were decided. Suggestions as to the drawing up of building contracts and various contract forms are also included.

Notwithstanding the fact that the author is a layman and not a lawyer, the treatment of the subject matter is legal as well as intelligible to the non-professional man, and the book will be of interest not only to contractors and owners and architects, but also to the practicing lawyer.

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CONDITIONAL SALES IN BANKRUPTCY. By MAX ISAAC, United States Referee in Bankruptcy. Atlanta, Ga.: Foote & Davies Co., 1905. Pp. xix, 108.

This little book presents a concise and well-considered review of the subjects of conditional sales in bankruptcy, consignments in bankruptcy, sales induced by fraud, practice and procedure in reference to these matters, and appeals. It is a helpful hand book on a perplexing topic, and is certain to prove valuable to lawyers practicing in the bankruptcy court. In view of the special remedies frequently available in favor of the conditional vendor of chattels, provided they are properly utilized, familiarity with these topics is a valuable asset to the practitioner.

About one third of the book is devoted to setting forth forms of use in the various situations discussed.

Foibles of the Bench. By Henry S. Wilcox, of the Chicago Bar. Chicago: Chicago Legal Literature Company. 1906. Pp. 144.

This little book contains a series of pen pictures of imaginary judges possessed of various judicial failings. Fortunately it has not been our lot to appear before judges embodying these trying characteristics to the extent depicted in Mr. Wilcox's sketches, but the essential peculiarities, to put it mildly, of Judge Knowall, Judge Fearful and the others are not unfamiliar. The author's descriptions of certain representatives of the judiciary may possibly be in some measure justified, but the reader will be inclined to think, we believe, that the book is rather satire than dispassionate criticism.

It is promised that there will be further volumes presenting "The Foibles of the Bar," "The Frailties of the Jury," "The Fallacies of the Law," etc.